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Title	BIPOLAR ELECTROSURGICAL INSTRUMENT FOR SEALING VESSELS
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Name The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)	1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments	1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
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FEE CALCULATION	1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1. BASIC FILING FEE	1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
Large Entity Small Entity	1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
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1001 770 2001 385 Utility filing fee	1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1002 340 2002 170 Design filing fee 770.00	1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1003 530 2003 265 Plant filing fee	1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1004 770 2004 385 Reissue filing fee	1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee	1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 770.00	1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
	1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
Extra Claims below Fee Paid	1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
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1202	1809	770	2809	9 385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1203 290 2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be	
1204 86 2204 43 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent	1801	770	2801	385	examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	0.00
1205 18 2205 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	1802	900	1802		Request for expedited examination of a design application	
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